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Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 45/146 of 18 December 1990 and other relevant resolutions,

Reaffirming the importance of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988 1/ for improving international cooperation in that field and further strengthening the existing international instruments for the control of narcotic drugs and

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1/ E/CONF.82/15 and Corr.1 and 3.

psychotropic substances, namely, the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, 2/ and that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol, 3/ and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971, 4/

Reaffirming also the Political Declaration and the Global Programme of Action 5/ adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session, held from 20 to 23 February 1990,

Bearing in mind that the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988 entered into force on 11 November 1990 and that, so far, 63 States have ratified or adhered to that Convention,

Commending the work done by the Secretariat to disseminate the text of the Convention in the official languages of the United Nations, thereby helping to make its provisions more widely known,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 6/ submitted pursuant to resolution 45/146 on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances;

2. Urges States that have not yet done so to proceed as soon as possible to ratify or accede to the Convention, in order to make its provisions more universally effective;

3. Also urges States to establish the necessary legislative and administrative measures so that their internal juridical regulations may be compatible with the spirit and the scope of the Convention;

4. Invites States, to the extent that they are able to do so, to apply provisionally the measures set forth in the Convention, pending its entry into force for each of them;

5. Once again urges all States that have not yet done so to ratify or accede to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, and that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol, and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971;

2/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 520, No. 7515.

3/ Ibid., vol. 976, No. 14152.

4/ Ibid., vol. 1019, No. 14956.

5/ Resolution S-17/2, annex.

6/ A/47/378.

6. Requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to continue providing legal assistance to Member States that request it in adjusting their national laws, policies and infrastructures to implement the international drug control conventions, as well as in training personnel responsible for applying the new laws;

7. Expresses its satisfaction at the programme of regional legal workshops initiated by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to assist States in identifying limitations in their legal capacity to implement the relevant international conventions fully and in developing appropriate measures and arrangements to overcome such limitations;

8. Once again requests the Secretary-General, within existing resources and drawing, in particular, on funds available to the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat, to promote and support public information activities relating to the Convention;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to report to General Assembly at its forty-ninth session on the implementation of the present resolution.